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## Fireworks With Lighted Boats Sat. Dec. 6

Fireworks will precede the brightly decorated power and sail boats leaving Hains Point at 7 pm Sat. Dec. 6 to start the annual parade of lighted boats sponsored by the Washington Waterfront Association.

Boats from yacht clubs and marinas on the Potomac and Anacostia Rivers will parade through the Southwest Channel for about an hour and will compete for awards.

This year a 39 foot Chinese dragon boat with its striking light display and booming drum will enter the parade, courtesy of the National Capital Area Women's Paddling Association.

Best viewing locations are the waterfront restaurants, or parks along Water St. S.W. next to the restaurants, or East Potomac Park (Hains Point). ■



## New Rec Center Celebration



Mayor Anthony Williams will be in Southwest to break ground for the long-awaited new recreation center at King-Greenleaf, Canal St. and N St. S.W. Wed., Dec. 3, at 4 pm. ■

*The new Recreation Center building at King-Greenleaf, at left, will have "multi-purpose rooms, an indoor gymnasium, meeting space, a pantry and other public amenities," according to the description on the web page [www.jairlynch.com](http://www.jairlynch.com).*

### Jefferson Junior High Volleyball Team



## SWNA Meets In Holiday Mood

Music, refreshments and donations for Thanksgiving Baskets will be part of the monthly meeting of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Mon. Nov. 24 at 7:30 pm at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. Historic Preservation in D.C. and the latest on the H2O Restaurant in the Hogates building are on the program.

Neighbors are encouraged to bring to the meeting donations of food for Community Thanksgiving Gift Baskets which will be distributed to those in need on Tues. Nov. 25. ■

## Thanksgiving Baskets Nov. 25

Two days before Thanksgiving, families who have registered in advance can pick up bags of groceries at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 3rd and M St. S.W. Tues., Nov. 25 from 10 am to 1 pm and 2pm to 5 pm.

Families can register with the churches in the SW Group Ministry, or by calling the South Washington Collaborative (202-488-7997) or the Southwest Community House (202-488-7210).

Volunteers are needed Sunday afternoon, Nov. 23 to bring food from the churches to St. Matthew's Church, again on Mon. Nov. 24 to organize the baskets, and on Tues. Nov. 25 to help distribute the food. Volunteers should call Ruth Beaver, volunteer coordinator, 301-839-2887. ■

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## S.W. Damage From Hurricane Continues

**D**islocation caused by flooding from Hurricane Isobel continues to plague the Southwest Waterfront.

As shown in the pictures at right, the Police Harbor Patrol building (and the Fire Boat crew quarters beyond it) are empty. Services are continued in the trailer in the foreground. A trailer at the end of the pier houses the fire crew.

At Odyssey repairs continue, while sales are made from a trailer. ■

## Chamber Music For Christmas

By Barbara Ehrlich

**T**he Southwest Chamber Players, our community's seven-year-old resident musical ensemble, will mount its annual Christmas concert at Saint Augustine's Episcopal Church, Maine Ave. & Sixth St. S.W., on Thursday, Dec. 18., at 7:30 pm.

As in past years, the program will emphasize music of the season by J.S. Bach, Quantz, Ravel, and others. The Potomac Mandolin Ensemble will make its annual appearance, as will such stalwarts as singers Beth Lawrence, Rosemarie Houghton, Joyce Bouvier, and Jonathan Ward; Wendy Caudle, oboe; Veinja Kosanovic, flute; Tom Blackburn, cello; David Ehrlich, piano, and also, we hope, Catherine Justice, soprano.

The audience should come prepared to join in several traditional carols. ■



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## Southwest Community Calendar

### MONTHLY

**Mon. Nov. 24,** SWNA Public meeting, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 3rd & M St. S.W. 7:30 pm.

**Tues. Dec. 2,** Citizens Advisory Council, Police Hdqtrs. 415 4th St. S.W. 7 pm

**Wed. Dec. 3,** Groundbreaking for New Rec Center at King-Greenleaf Field, Canal St. & N.S.W. 4 pm.

**Mon. Dec. 8,** ANC Monthly meeting, Millennium Art Center, 65 I (Eye) St. S.W. 7 pm

**Sat. Dec. 13,** Federation of Civic Associations Award luncheon, Almas Temple, 1315 K St. N.W. 11 am

**Wed. Dec. 17,** AARP Holiday Party, Channel Inn, 600 Water St. S.W., 11:30 am.

**Wed. Dec. 17,** S.W. Night at Arena Stage, \$10. Crowns. 7:30 pm

**Thurs. Dec. 18,** Chamber Music, St. Augustine's Episcopal Church, 6th and Maine Ave. S.W., 7:30 pm.

**Fri. Dec. 19,** Chanukah begins at Sunset

**Thurs. Dec. 25,** Christmas Day

### WEEKLY, BI-WEEKLY

**Komen Toastmasters** - First & Third Sat., S.W. Library, 10 am

**Fil-Am Toastmasters** - Second & Fourth Wed., S.W. Library, 6:15 pm

**School Toastmasters** - Every Tues, 400 Virginia Ave. S.W., Room 88 - noon

**Collector's Club (Stamps)** - First & Third Wed. Christ United Methodist Church, 300 block of I (Eye) St. S.W. 7 pm (202-291-6229)

**S.W. Kiwanis** - First & Third Mon., S.E. University, 6th & I St. S.W. - 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm

**S.W. Citizens Patrol with Officer Kenny Daniels** - 4th & M St., S.W. Safeway parking lot, every Tues. at 7 p.m.

**New Southwest Toastmasters** - Every Wed., GSA Bldg., 7th & D St. S.W., Room 5009 (inside cafeteria), noon.

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Ms. Para Perry, far left, leads the Amidon School Choir as they sing for hundreds in Randall Park in October. In the foreground are soloists Rikaya Frigon (with the microphone) and Anthony Sumlin.



## Amidon School Choir Performs

Before a crowd of over 1,000 at Randall Park, the Amidon Elementary School Choir sang "We Shall Overcome," in both English and

Spanish and sang other selections.

The Welcoming Festival for the Immigrant Workers Freedom Riders (IWFR) was the occasion.

Later Mary Finger, International Vice-President of the United Food and Commercial Workers, honored the 35 young talented artists and their choir director Para C. Perry, with certificates. Southwest resident Nancy C. Harvin, one of the coordinators of the IWFR, took part in the ceremony. ■

## Sunday Brunch, Banquets At Skyline Hotel

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## SW Night At Arena Stage

\$10 tickets (plus fees) are available to S.W. residents and employees at one Wed. night preview for each of the 5 productions remaining in the 2003-2004 season:

Dec. 17: *Crowns*  
Jan. 4: *A Man's A Man*  
Mar 1: *Yellowman*  
Apr. 14: *Senor Discretion Himself*  
May 19: *Orpheus Descending*

Southwest neighbors can buy up to four tickets for that Wed. night preview at that price. Guests do not have to be SW residents.

Information and details are available at the box office, or by calling Arena's Sales Office at 488-3300. ■

## Wives of Navy SEALs Stop in SW On Way to NYC

Recently wives and widows of Navy SEAL (Sea, Air, Land) underwater demolition team members stopped in Southwest at the Washington Marina on a fundraising trip from the Pentagon to New York City.

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Bob Stickell, Jr., President and general manager at Washington Marina, hosted

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## AARP Gala For Christmas

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# HALLOWEEN IN SOUTHWEST



## Service By Jefferson Jr. High Students

By Dr. Smith, Counselor

Jefferson Jr. High students have been performing community service, which has prompted donations to the school towards football team uniforms.

Community service projects have including cleaning the new SWNA office, picking up trash on I (Eye) St. S.W. from So. Capitol to 7 St. S.W., cleaning up the wharf, and planting spring bulbs and raking leaves around the school.



The first group of donations for Jefferson Jr. High's football team are combined in one check being given to school counselor Dr. Smith, center, by SWNA officers Ellen Winship, Treasurer, left, and Naomi Monk, President, right.

The students said they are committed to having the areas in the Southwest neighborhood tidy and attractive.

The Beta Club, a community service oriented student organization, and some of the 9th grade classes performed community service recently by "Walking for the Homeless" around the school, thus bringing attention to the plight of the homeless.

Persons or organizations wishing to make contributions to the football team may make their checks payable to the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, Inc., and mailing to P O Box 70131, Washington, D.C. 20024. The SWNA will forward one check to Jefferson. Your contribution is tax-deductible. ■

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Bowen Elementary School students dressed in costumes for Halloween.

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Jerome Gray, a resident of Northeast, and spokesman for the group, cited long ties to the church building before Friendship moved out and built its present building at Delaware and I (Eye) St. S.W.

Lawyers from the firm of Arnold and Porter, representing developer Tanner Associates, stated that trustee Frank Patterson of Friendship Baptist had been present and signed ownership documents during the transfer of title to the property from the Redeemed Temple of Jesus Christ, which had occupied the church after Friendship.

The lawyers had offered to donate fixtures from the old church to the present Friendship Baptist Church members and expressed interest in meeting with the protesting group.

The date for the zoning commission hearing on the matter has not been set.

### OTHER BUSINESS

D.C. School Board member Tommy Wells updated ANC members on the progress of the board in improving teacher and student performance in the face of shrinking budgets and falling student populations. He also took questions on school attendance and transportation problems.

Millennium Art Center director Bill Wooby gave information on the city's effort to close the center, apparently for back rent.

The city's plan to reduce the number of Police Service Areas (PSAs) from 83 to 34, was discussed, with the suggestion of conforming PSA boundaries to ANC boundaries. The ANC voted to table the matter until a later date, pending input from constituents.

A motion to offer no objection to the renewal of liquor licenses passed, 4 to 1, with one abstention. ■

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## Southwest Website Has A New Look

By Perry Klein, Website Master

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Eda, herself a Southwest resident, is with InterComp 2000, [www.ic2konlin.com](http://www.ic2konlin.com) which specializes in Web-design consulting.

The redesigned [www.swdc.org](http://www.swdc.org) Web-site includes a search feature, so that a subject or name can be located easily. It has sections on *About SWDC*, *Residents*, *Businesses*, *Attractions*, and *Community Leaders*. It links to other useful Web-sites, such as DC City Government, Metro and Arena Stage. You'll also find back issues of The Southwester all the way back to June 1999.

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